

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of: Ham

Application No: 10/076,164

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Title: Ear Clasp Headset

Examiner: Unknown

Art Unit: 2643

Attorney Docket No. 01-7040

Petition to Make Special Under 37 CFR 1.102(d) and Incorporated Information Disclosure Statement

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Sir:

This is a Petition to Make Special the above-identified patent application. The basis for this petition is actual infringement.

In accordance with MPEP 708.02 II and in support of this petition, the undersigned alleges the following:

- I. There is an infringing device or product actually on the market or method in use;
- II. A rigid comparison of the infringing device, product or method with the claims of the application has been made, and in my opinion, some of the claims are unquestionably infringed; and
- III. A search was conducted in class 381, sub-classes 370, 374-376, 380, and 381; class 379, subclasses 430 and 433.01 and class D14, subclasses 205, 206, and 223. Both US and foreign patents were searched in these sub-classes. The search was conducted by John Petrakes. Examiner Huyen Le was consulted in confirming the field of search.

In support of allegations I and II above, enclosed herewith as Appendix I is a news article (OR: press release, etc.) found at www.fashionelectronics.

Also submitted herewith on Form PTO-1449 is a listing of documents uncovered in the search noted in allegation III above and deemed most closely related to the subject matter encompassed by the claims. Copies of the documents are submitted herewith.

This statement should not be construed as a representation that additional information material to the examination of this application does not exist or that these references indeed constitute prior art.

The petition fee under 37 CFR §§102(d) and 1.17(h) is believed to be \$130.00 and is enclosed herewith. In the unlikely event that the transmittal letter accompanying this document is separated from this document, Applicant hereby petitions for any required relief including Extensions of Time and/or any other relief and authorizes the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to Deposit Account No. 50-2315 (Order No. 01-7040). The Commissioner is further authorized to charge any

underpayment of any additional fees and/or to credit any overpayment associated with this communication or any future or past communication associated with the subject matter to Deposit Account No. 50-2315.

In view of the above, Applicant requests that the Petition to Make Special be granted and the examination of the application be advanced.

Respectfully submitted,

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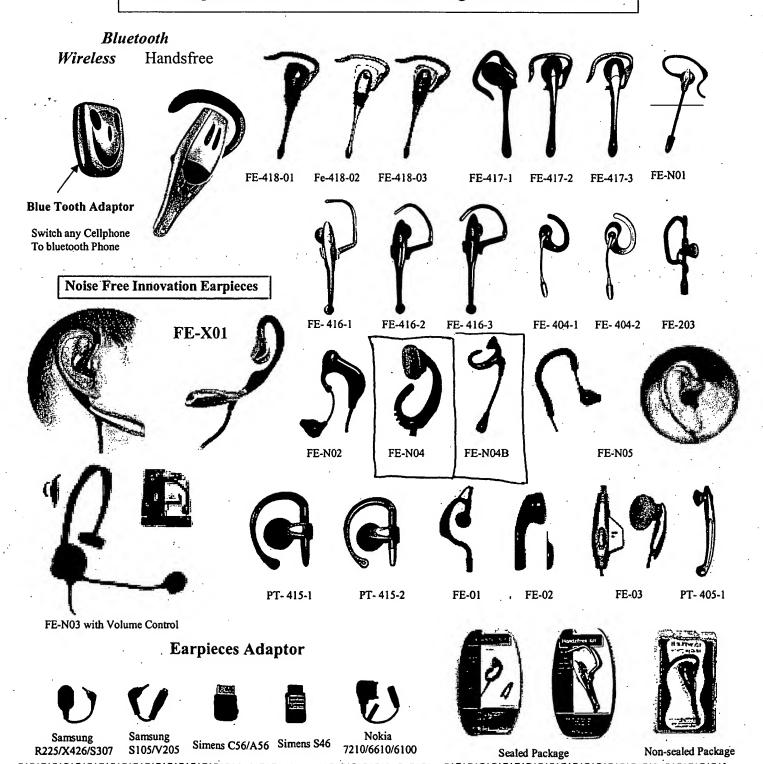


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